



MINUTES

POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS INTERIM COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 18, 2025 | 9:30 a.m. | 220 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Don L. Ipson, Chair
Rep. James A. Dunnigan, Chair
Sen. Nate Blouin
Sen. Wayne A. Harper
Sen. Calvin R. Musselman
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher
Sen. Chris H. Wilson
Rep. Gay Lynn Bennion
Rep. Matthew H. Gwynn
Rep. Jill Koford
Rep. Verona Mauga

Rep. Val L. Peterson
Rep. R. Neil Walter

Members Absent:

Rep. Trevor Lee
Rep. Jordan D. Teuscher

Staff Present:

Nathan W. Brady, Policy Analyst
RuthAnne Oakey-Frost, Senior Associate
General Counsel
Steve Schaefermeyer, Associate General
Counsel
Naomi Garrow, Administrative Assistant

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

Chair Dunnigan called the meeting to order at 9:36am.

1. Committee Business

MOTION: Rep. Peterson moved to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2025, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 7.

Yeas - 8

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Sen. D. Ipson
Rep. J. Koford
Sen. C. Musselman
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. R. Walter
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 7

Sen. N. Blouin
Rep. M. Gwynn
Sen. W. Harper
Rep. T. Lee
Rep. V. Mauga
Rep. J. Teuscher
Sen. D. Thatcher

Chair Dunnigan informed the committee of the opening of a committee bill file addressing the recodification of Title 17.

2. County Forms of Government

[2 - County Forms of Government Handout \(Sen. Winterton\)](#)

2 - County Forms of Government Handout (Rep. Winterton)

Sen. Ronald Winterton presented and answered questions from the committee.

Chair Dunnigan opened the committee to public comment.

Amelia Powers Gardner, Utah County Commissioner, provided comment.

Brandy Grace, Utah Association of Counties, provided comment.

Sen. Thatcher provided comment.

Chair Dunnigan closed public comment.

Committee discussion continued.

MOTION: Rep. Bennion moved to open a committee bill file addressing County Forms of Government.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Sen. Thatcher made a substitute motion to open multiple committee bill files regarding County Forms of Government and then withdrew his substitute motion.

Rep. Bennion's motion to open a committee bill file addressing County Forms of Government passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 13

Rep. G. Bennion
Sen. N. Blouin
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. M. Gwynn
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson
Rep. J. Koford
Rep. V. Mauga
Sen. C. Musselman
Rep. V. Peterson
Sen. D. Thatcher
Rep. R. Walter
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. T. Lee
Rep. J. Teuscher

3. County Classification

[3 - County Classifications Handout \(Sen. Winterton\)](#)

3 - County Classifications Handout (Sen. Winterton)

Sen. Winterton presented and answered questions from the committee.

4. Draft Legislation: Municipal Service Fees and Political Subdivision Liens

[4 - Municipal Liens Handout \(Rep. Cutler\)](#)

[4 - Draft Legislation "Municipal Services Fees and Political Subdivision Lien Amendments" \(V001\)](#)

4 - Draft Legislation "Municipal Services Fees and Political Subdivision Lien Amendments" (V001)

4 - Municipal Liens Handout (Rep. Cutler)

Rep. Cutler presented and answered questions from the committee.

Chair Dunnigan opened the committee to public comment.

Cameron Diehl, Utah League of Cities and Towns, provided comment.

LeGrand Bitter, Utah Association of Special Districts, provided comment.

Chair Dunnigan closed public comment.

MOTION: Rep. Koford moved to approve "Municipal Service Fees and Political Subdivisions Liens" as a committee bill file. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 13

Rep. G. Bennion
Sen. N. Blouin
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. M. Gwynn
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson
Rep. J. Koford
Rep. V. Mauga
Sen. C. Musselman
Rep. V. Peterson
Sen. D. Thatcher
Rep. R. Walter
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. T. Lee
Rep. J. Teuscher

5. Other Items/Adjourn

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 13

Rep. G. Bennion
Sen. N. Blouin
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. M. Gwynn
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson
Rep. J. Koford
Rep. V. Mauga
Sen. C. Musselman
Rep. V. Peterson
Sen. D. Thatcher
Rep. R. Walter
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. T. Lee
Rep. J. Teuscher

Chair Dunnigan adjourned the meeting 10:44 am.